

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of )  
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ALAN F. SAVICKI )  
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Serial No. 09/979,527 )  
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Title: CLOSURE DEVICE )

Group Art Unit: 3677

Examiner: Marcus Menezes

Oakland, California 94623  
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AMENDMENT

Dear Examiner Menezes:

In response to the Office Action dated September 6, 2006, currently due December 6, 2006, please enter the following amendments.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.